

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, in view of the present amendment and in light of the following discussions, is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-20 are currently pending in the application. Claims 11-20 were withdrawn from further consideration. Claims 7, 8 and 10 have been amended herewith. The changes to the claims are supported by the originally filed specification and do not introduce any new matter.

In the outstanding Office Action, the specification was objected to; Claims 7, 8 and 10 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph; and Claim 10 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Im et al. (U.S. Publication No. 2001/0001745 A1).

In response to the objection to the specification, the paragraph starting on page 5, line 11 has been amended. Support for the change can be found on page 5, line 15. Thus this ground for objection is believed to have been overcome.

In response to the rejection of Claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), it is respectfully submitted that the ground for rejection has been rendered moot by the amendment to claim 10. Claim 10 has been amended to recite “moving said mask and said silicon film with respect to each other.” As noted in the statement of reasons for allowance with respect to claims 1-9, the office action states “Im et al. do not teach the step of moving said mask and said work with respect to each other.” (Emphasis in the original.) Thus, the amendment to claim 10 is believed to place that claim in condition for allowance for reasons similar to the reasons set forth in the statement of reasons for allowance.

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Consequently, in view of the present amendment and in light of the above discussions, the outstanding grounds for rejection are believed to have been overcome and in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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